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SUBJECT: BRIEFING MEMORANDUM: YOUR ATTENDANCE AT DINITZ'S LUNCHEON OCT 2, FOR SHALEV

FOR THE SECRETARY THROUGH ATHERTON

1. YOU HAVE AGREED TO ATTEND AMBASSADOR DINITZ'S FAREWELL LUNCHEON FOR HIS MINISTER, MORDECHAI SHALEV, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1975, AT 1:00 P.M. YOU ASKED THAT THE LUNCHEON BE HELD AT A PLACE CLOSER TO THE DEPARTMENT THAN DINITZ'S RESIDENCE AND THIS IS BEING ARRANGED, THOUGH THE ISRAELIS WILL NOT BE ABLE TO TELL US THE SITE UNTIL OCTOBER 1.

2. THERE WILL BE ONLY NINE AT THIS STAG LUNCHEON; THE GUEST LIST IS ATTACHMENT 1. A PROPOSED TOAST IS ATTACHMENT 2. A BIOGRAPHY OF MINISTER SHALEV, WHO IS LEAVING TO BECOME ISRAEL'S AMBASSADOR TO CANADA, WILL BE PROVIDED BEFORE THE LUNCHEON JUST FOR YOUR INTEREST.

3. AS YOU KNOW, SHALEV HAS BEEN INTIMATELY INVOLVED ON THE WASHINGTON END OF OUR NEGOTIATIONS WITH ISRAEL AND HAS DONE
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AN EXCELLENT JOB AS CHARGE DURING DINITZ'S ABSENCES. A

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THOROUGH PROFESSIONAL, SHALEV HAS BEEN AN EXTREMELY WARM AND PLEASANT ASSOCIATE SINCE HIS ASSIGNMENT HERE AS

MINISTER IN JUNE 1973 (HE SERVED HERE ON TWO EARLIER OCCASIONS). YOUR PRESENCE AT HIS FAREWELL LUNCHEON IS AN HONOR WHICH WILL BE DEEPLY APPRECIATED BY SHALEV AND HIS COLLEAGUES.

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4. ATTACHMENT 1. GUEST LIST.

THE SECRETARY
AMBASSADOR DINITZ
MINISTER SHALEV
MR. ATHERTON
MR. EAGLEBURGER
MR. SAUNDERS
MR. LEONARD GARMENT
MR. EYTAN BENTSUR, POLITICAL COUNSELOR
MR. PETER RODMAN, NSC

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5. ATTACHMENT 2. PROPOSED TOAST

QUOTE MR. AMBASSADOR, MORDECHAI, I AM OVERJOYED TO HAVE A MEAL WITH YOU WHICH IS NEITHER PRECEDED NOR FOLLOWED BY BENDING OUR BACKS OVER PICTURES AND MAPS OF MIDDLE EASTERN TERRAIN. I WISH, HOWEVER, THAT THIS RELAXED OCCASION HAD A PURPOSE OTHER THAN MORDECHAI'S ESCAPE FROM OUR EFFORTS. NO ONE HERE IN WASHINGTON WANTS YOU TO LEAVE US, MORDECHAI.
BUT
YOU HAVE EARNED YOUR MISSION TO CANADA MANY TIMES OVER THESE PAST TWO YEARS AND, IN THINKING ABOUT THIS OCCASION, IT OCCURRED TO ME TO HOPE THAT I GET AS GOOD A JOB WHEN I LEAVE TOWN.

QUOTE IT IS JUST FOUR DAYS SHY OF THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE CATACLYSM WHICH PLUNGED US ALL INTO THE EFFORT TO CONFIDENTIAL

AT LAST FIND A REAL PEACE FOR THE MIDDLE EAST. WE HAVE HAD SOME SUCCESSES, BUT WE ALL KNOW THERE IS STILL FAR TO GO. I AM SORRY THAT MORDECHAI WILL NOT BE WITH US HERE IN THE MONTHS AND YEARS AHEAD FOR, DESPITE THE OCCASIONAL BUMPS AND RUTS IN OUR PATH, OUR TRAVEL TOWARD PEACE HAS BEEN MADE MORE PLEASANT BY HIS COMPANY.

QUOTE MR. AMBASSADOR, GENTLEMEN, PLEASE JOIN ME IN A TOAST

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OF THANKS TO MORDECHAI SHALEV FOR HIS EFFORTS IN BEHALF OF
OUR JOINT CAUSE--PEACE--AND LET US WISH SHOSHANA AND HIM
LONG LIFE AND SUCCESS IN THEIR NEW LIFE IN OTTAWA.UNQUOTE
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